GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

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SEALING CLOSING OF INDUSTRIES IN DELHI
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) the norms prescribed by the Government for identifying the polluting industries;

(b) the number of polluting industries closed/sealed in Delhi, till date;

(c) the areas in which these industries were engaged;

(d) the number of industries relocated and the number of polluting industries which are still working;

(e) the number of industries proposed to be sealed by the Government;

(f) the number of workers rendered jobless in the absence of alternative arrangements;
(g) the schemes proposed to be taken up by the Government to safeguard the interests of the workers;
(h) whether the non-polluting units have also been sealed; and
(i) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION(SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a): The polluting industries have been indicated in the Master Planof Delhi, which fall under `F` category. The Nodal Agency constituted by this Ministry as per Hon`ble Supreme Court`s orders dated 12.9.2000, had identified 27 `F` category industires out of 81, for closure in the first phase. The list of remaining 54 `F` category of industries was examined by an expert group constituted by the Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi and finally a list of 33 `F` category industries, identified to be polluting in nature, was prepared by the expert group for closure/sealing in the 2nd phase. The expert group has based its recommendations keeping in view the process involved in the manufacturing of these items.

(b)&(c): The Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi has reported sealing operations in respect of 27 `F` category of industries were carried out in the 1st phase. A total of 18972 units wre visited by the enforcement teams during December/January, 2000-2001. Out of these 2,773 industrial units found to be covered under 27 categories were sealed. In addition, 863 water polluting units had already been sealed in the course of earlier operations. A list of 27 activities in which these industries were engaged, is enclosed as Annexure.

(d): The Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi has reported that out of the total 16,394 industrial units who have been allotted plots/flats under the Relocation Scheme, 6,563 units are covered under `F` category industries.

(e): The total number of `F` category of industries listed in 1996 survey is approximately 39,000 out of which 3,636 units have already been sealed in the 1st phase. The 2nd phase of sealing operation has been started and the exact number of polluting industries that would be sealed in the 2nd phase would be known only after the 2nd phase of operation is complete.

(f)&(g): The Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi has further reported that a total of 5,700 `F` category polluting industries and 863 water polluting industries who have applied for allotment of alternate industrial accommodation under the Relocation Scheme have already been given allotment of alternate plots on priority basis where employment opportunities would also be available to the workers. However, exact figures regarding number of workers rendered jobless are not available.

(h)& (i): Efforts have been made by the Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi to close only polluting industries operating in residential and non-conforming areas of Delhi. However, in order to avoid any hardship, a committee under Member-Secretary, Delhi Pollution Control Committee has been set up to receive and examine representations relating to wrong sealing of units.

ANNEXURE

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (b) AND (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.869 DATED 27.2.2001.

1. Acids and Chemicals Small-scale

2. Aluminium anodizing

3. Ancilary industries of the slaughter house

4. Auto electroplated accessories

5. Battery boxes
6. Batteries and accessories

7 Dyeing,bleaching,finishing procesing cloth (including mercerizing calendaring glazing etc)

8. Electroplating (large scale)

9. Enamel ware
10. Fuel gases (including by-products)
11. Galvanised buckets
12. Glass products
13. Grease, oil etc
14. Reinforced cement concrete pipes (small scale)
15. Iron foundaries
16. Nickle polishing
17. Plastic products
18. Plastic dye
19. PVC Compounds
20. Polythene bags
21. Refrigerators and air conditioners
22. Steet re-rolling mills (small scale)
23. Steel casting
24. Toilet soap
25. Vacuum flasks
26. Writing & making ink
27. Zinc polishing